

# Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack Release Notes

Version 106

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#### Overview

Version 106 of the *Microsoft: Windows Server* PowerPack has removed the "silo\_builtin\_caching" ScienceLogic Library from the PowerPack.

• Minimum Required Platform Version: 8.9.1

• Support Status: GA

This document describes:

- Pre-installation or pre-upgrade information
- The installation and upgrade process for the PowerPack
- The features included in version 106
- The enhancements and issues addressed in version 106
- The known issues in version 106

## Before You Install or Upgrade

Ensure that you are running version 8.9.1 or later of the ScienceLogic platform before installing version 106 of the *Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack*.

**NOTE**: For details on upgrading the ScienceLogic platform, see the appropriate ScienceLogic Release Notes.

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# Installing or Upgrading to Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack Version 106

TIP: By default, installing a new version of a PowerPack will overwrite all content in that PowerPack that has already been installed on the target system. You can use the *Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection* setting in the *Behavior Settings* page (System > Settings > Behavior) to prevent the new version of the PowerPack from overwriting local changes for some commonly customized fields.

**NOTE**: If you are currently using the Dynamic Applications in the *Microsoft*: *Windows Server* PowerPack to monitor devices, collection errors might occur for one or two polling cycles during the installation of a new version. To prevent collection errors during an upgrade, you can optionally disable collection for monitored devices before performing the following steps and re-enable collection after the upgrade.

To install the Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack for the first time or to upgrade from a previous version, perform the following steps:

- 1. Familiarize yourself with the Known Issues for this release.
- 2. See the **Before You Install or Upgrade** section. If you have not done so already, upgrade your system to the 8.9.1 or later release.
- 3. Download version 106 of the *Microsoft: Windows Server* PowerPack from the Customer Portal to a local computer.
- 4. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks). Click the **[Actions]** menu and choose *Import PowerPack*. When prompted, import version 106 of the *Microsoft: Windows Server* PowerPack.
- 5. After importing the PowerPack, you will be prompted to install the PowerPack. Click the **[Install]** button to install the PowerPack.
- 6. See the manual **Monitoring Windows** for instructions on using the PowerPack.

### **Features**

Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack version 106 includes the following features:

- Dynamic Applications that collect configuration and performance data about Windows Servers
- Event Policies that are triggered when Windows Server devices meet certain status criteria
- Device Classes for each type of Windows Server

**NOTE**: The Device Classes include older device types that can be discovered but are no longer supported by ScienceLogic.

- Run Book Policies and Run Book Actions that align a more detailed device class with each discovered device
- A sample Credential for discovering Windows Server devices

## Enhancements and Issues Addressed

The following enhancements and addressed issues are included in version 106 of the Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack:

• The "silo builtin caching" ScienceLogic Library was removed from the PowerPack.

## Known Issues and Workarounds

The following known issues impact version 106 of the Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack:

- The Microsoft: Windows Server PowerPack version 102 and above will not work on merged devices.
- If you use the "Microsoft: Windows Server IC Interface Performance" Dynamic Application to populate interface performance data, then you cannot enable the *Packets* setting on the *Interface Properties* page (Registry > Networks > Interfaces > interface wrench icon) without causing an unhandled exception.
- When the "Microsoft: Windows Server IC Interface Inventory" Dynamic Application is enabled, you might see a nightly unhandled exception that includes the message "MySQL has gone away." The fix for this is targeted for a future release of SL1.
- The "Microsoft: Windows Server Software Configuration" Dynamic Application cannot properly parse installation dates that are not in yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss format, such as "Wed Jul 05 12:41:46 EDT 2017".

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